

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
STATEWIDE PLANNING PROGRAM
STATE PLANNING COUNCIL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

In accordance with the General Laws, Section 42-11-10(e) and Chapter 42-35, the State Planning Council has under consideration adoption of a draft plan entitled "***Rhode Island Water 2030***" as **State Guide Plan Element 721**. This draft plan focuses on critical issues and emerging trends for drinking water policy to address. It sets policy foundations for drinking water management and provides goals, policies, strategies and updated information to guide public and private actions for the effective management of the drinking water resources of the State.

Notice is hereby given that two public hearings will be held on the adoption of this Plan at which time the opportunity shall be given to all persons interested to be heard upon the matter. The Plan will consolidate and replace five previous potable water policy elements into a single element of the State Guide Plan. The following existing State Guide Plans will be rescinded in their entirety upon adoption of the Plan by the State Planning Council:

- 1990 *Scituate Reservoir Watershed Management Plan* (125)
- 1991 *Water Supply Plan for RI* (721)
- 1993 *Rhode Island Emergency Water Supply Management Plan* (723)
- 1997 *Water Supply Policies for Rhode Island* (722)
- 2002 *Rhode Island Drought Management Plan* (724)

The date, time and location of the hearings are:

Monday April 30, 2012

2:00 to 4:00 PM
Conference Room **B**, 3rd Floor
Department of Administration
One Capitol Hill
Providence, Rhode Island

Monday April 30, 2012

6:00 to 8:00 PM
Conference Room **A**, 3rd Floor
Department of Administration
One Capitol Hill
Providence, Rhode Island

The hearing will begin with a one half hour informational presentation followed by opportunity for public comment. Written statements made relative to any aspect of the proposed Plan, including alternative approaches, overlap, or significant economic impact, can be submitted in writing prior to or at the time of the hearing or mailed within five business days following the hearing date to: Kevin Flynn, Associate Director, Division of Planning, One Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island 02908.

The draft plan may be viewed at Statewide Planning's website at <http://www.planning.ri.gov/spp/default.htm>. Also copies of the draft plan are available for public inspection during business hours (8:30 AM to 4:30 PM) at the Office of the Statewide Planning Program, One Capitol Hill, 3rd Floor, Providence, Rhode Island (401-222-7901).

The hearing location is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must call (401) 222-7901 forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the hearing date.

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March 21, 2012